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Notice is hereby given to all parties in arrears for Taxes, that payment must be made forthwith, or immediate steps will be taken to collect the same by distress, as provided by ordinance, without further notice.

JNO. McTAGGART,

Collector of Taxes for the Town of Prince Albert.

February 4, 1889.

STRAYED.

Came on to my premises, at the Creek, on or about October last.

One White Three Year Old Heifer

And one Two Year Old Roan Steer

Owner will please prove property, pay expenses and take them away.

THOS. O. DAVIS.

TEACHER WANTED.

Red Deer Hill School District No. 17.

Applicants to state salary, certificate and previous experience. School opens in the summer term. Applications to be sent on or before February 20, 1889, to

ROBERT GILES, Sec.-Treasurer.
Residence Red Deer Hill, or
Prince Albert P.O.

STRAYED.

Came on to my premises about last November.

A YEARLING STEER

NEARLY WHITE.

Owner can have same on proving property and paying expenses.

WM. HUTCHINSON.

STRAYED!

Came on to my premises about the 1st of last November.

TWO HEIFERS

One rising two years red mixed with grey; white belly. The other rising three years, red with white spots; one horn bent.

Owner can have same on proving property and paying expenses.

JOHN NORTHCOLE,

Halter Settlement.

NOTICE.

Application will be made at the next session of the Parliament of Canada for an act authorizing the construction of a railway from a point at or near Moose Jaw, in a north-westerly direction via Battleford to Edmonton, thence to the town of Lethbridge, with power to build a branch railway from the point where said railway crosses the South Saskatchewan River to Prince Albert, and for other purposes.

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Valuable Town Property.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time of the sale, there will be sold by public auction, by ROBERT BUCKLEY, Auctioneer, at the

QUEEN'S HOTEL
Church street, in the Town of Prince Albert,

Saturday, the 2nd of March, 1889

At the hour of 12 o'clock, noon.

That valuable property known and described as an and singular tract certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in Prince Albert, in the Northwest Territory, Canada, and being composed of part of lot seventy-eight in the same lot (don't let, according to a plan of survey of Subdivision No. 10, made by J. Lestock Reid, Dominion Land Surveyor, and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds in, and for Prince Albert Registration District, which part is known and described as Lot Number Nine (9) in Block "C" of said subdivision.

The lot has a frontage on North Street of 30 feet by a depth of 120 feet. There is a commodious frame house on the lot, finished throughout. There is a good well on the premises.

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River Street, Prince Albert.

Dated this 28th day of January, A.D. 1889.

AUCTION SALE!

The undersigned has received instructions from J. Lestock Reid, D.L.S., to sell by public auction, at Qu'Appelle Fair.

February 11th, at 12 o'clock noon,

His Survey Outfit, consisting of

Horses, Carts,
Luckham's Jumpers,
Tents, Harness and
General Camp Outfit
Also about Ten Tons Hay.

Terms—Cash.

For further particulars apply to

R. ECKLEY,

Auctioneer.

TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Parliament brought down its weekly budget on Monday evening last. Present—Couns. Donaldson, Goodfellow, Sanderson, Davis and Mair. His Worship Mayor Knowles presided.

Clerk Stull read the minutes of the last meeting, which were adopted.

The next hour was taken up in reading communications.

The following made application for the offices of sewer, street surveyor and health inspector—Graham Neilson, J. D. Hamilton, Chester Thompson, J. W. Hurd, J. M. Coombs and W. J. Carter.

Three by-laws of most formidable length were next introduced by Couns. Davis and Sanderson.

REPORTS.

The standing committees then submitted their first weekly budgets, as follows:—

Coun. Donaldson, chairman of the Fire, Water and Light Committee, recommended that John Offord be paid \$5; that the fire appliances be removed to lot owned by Mr. Hamilton; that Mr. McWilliam be paid \$24 rent for housing for fire appliances; and that the fire alarm at Presbyterian church be put in proper order. Report adopted.

Coun. Woodman, chairman of the Finance and Assessment Committee, reported, recommending the payment of the following accounts—Taxes, \$20; E. J. Cann, \$3.90; and that \$50 be borrowed to pay off current liabilities. Adopted.

Coun. Davis, chairman of the Health and Relief Committee, recommending that K. Stanley and John Offord be each paid \$1.50, and that, from the opinion submitted by the solicitor, the account of Dr. Porter be not paid. Adopted.

Coun. Goodfellow, chairman of the Board of Works, reported as follows:—Your committee would recommend that the chairman of this committee introduce a by-law for the purpose of borrowing \$1,000, to be used in the establishing and equipping a ferry and fixing approaches to the same, and that said \$1,000 be raised by debentures.

The Town Constable and License Inspector presented his monthly budget for personal, and showed the citizens to be orderly and well behaved, and everything running smoothly and lovely.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The council went into committee of the whole to consider and ponder over the applicants for office. Our Solons not being able to come to a decision laid the matter over to get the advice of the Finance Minister upon the choice.

The Board of Works report was considered. Each representative aired himself fully on the matter.

Mayor Knowles was strongly in favor of a ferry and that bonds be floated for the purpose or if the money is to be raised by taxes, that a public meeting be called and get the sanction of the people and take the responsibility off the shoulders of the council.

Coun. Mair was in favor of a ferry but strongly opposed raising the money by debentures. He did not wish to lower the credit of the town.

Coun. Davis coincided with the mayor. He did not want to shoulder the responsibility of raising the money by taxation.

Coun. Donaldson was not in favor of issuing bonds for so small an amount. He thought we should have better fire protection, and that debentures should be issued for the two amounts conjointly.

Couns. Sanderson and Goodfellow were in accord with the views of Coun. Donaldson. It was decided to leave the matter over for further consideration.

NOTICES.

Moved by Couns. Mair and Donaldson that the Board of Health be instructed to lock into the sanitary condition of Dilworth's Stable. Carried.

Moved by Davis and Sanderson that the mayor get a statement of hands sold by the sheriff.

A motion was carried to allow the Press reporter a seat at one of the council tables providing he furnishes his own chair.

Several by-laws were introduced, after which the council adjourned.

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CHIT-CHAT LOCALS.

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T T T. Try our 40c T. Walters & Baker.

Mr. Sisson's, of Carlton, arrived in town last evening.

Whooping cough is in nearly every house in Battleford.

On dit that the police annual ball will be held on the 27th inst., and that great preparations are being made.

W. R. Fish and G. C. McLeod, who have been down east for the past two months, returned on the stage last Monday.

A meeting of the council of the Rifle Association will be held in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening next, 12th inst., at 8 o'clock sharp.

Farmers, gardeners and florists will do well to get their seeds from Bruce, of Hamilton, this year. Send for free catalogue. See their advertisement.

The many friends of H. A. Head, of Prince Albert, will regret to learn that that gentleman's photograph gallery at Battleford was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is heavy.

Remember the big auction sale of J. L. Reid's survey outfit, consisting of horses, carts, buckboards, jumpers, tents, and a lot of miscellaneous articles, at Colleton Farm, Lower Flat, on Monday next at 12 o'clock noon.

T. J. Agnew won the single-handed curling matches this winter, beating J. Sinclair in the final game. This is a great victory for Mr. Agnew as his final opponent was considered to be the best curler in the club.

The balance of our winter goods will be sold at cost. We are offering a Grey Flannel at 25c per yard, Lamb Caps for \$3, Lamb Coats \$20, Tweed Overcoats \$30, Men's Lined Overcoats \$1.75, Ladies' Overcoats \$1. All other winter goods will be cut in same proportion. Walters & Baker.

To all suffering from catarrh is contained in the following from J. J. McNeil, Grand Narrows, C.B. You will please find enclosed \$1, for which you will send me one large bottle Nasal Balm. I have used the first bottle you sent me, with satisfactory results and have every reason to believe Nasal Balm is everything you claim—a positive cure for catarrh.

We regret to have omitted, in our last issue, a notice of the able and eloquent sermon preached in St. Alban's church to the brethren of Kinsmen Lodge, A.F. & A.M., by the Rev. A.H. Wright, chaplain of the lodge. The little church was crowded to the doors, among which were a large number of the craft, who were greatly edified by the teaching of their brother.

Last Sunday was the most disagreeable day we have had this winter; from early morning until on into the night a heavy snow storm was raging and on Monday the snow was very deep and had drifted so that the roads were almost impassable. During Sunday night the thermometer registered 25° below zero, which is the coldest this winter, but since then the weather has been quite mild.

Darwin's Theory.
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Donaldson & Pembroke.

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at the next session, for an Act extending the time for completing a portion of the railway of the Qu'Appelle, Louis Lake and Saskatchewan Railroad and its subsidiaries, and authorizing and enabling the transfer of its railway and all its rights, properties and franchises to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and enabling the latter company to complete and hold the said Railway as a branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and for other purposes.

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The Land We Live In.

Mr. Mair's Speech at the Irvine Banquet in Prince Albert, N.W.T.

The following is the substance of a speech by Mr. Chas. Mair made at the banquet given lately by our citizens to Lieut.-Colonel Irvine, of Quebec. Col. Irvine has been sent this winter to treat with the Indians for the cession of the country north of here; the Indians themselves being desirous of coming under treaty obligations. At the banquet Mr. Mair responded to the toast of "The Land We Live In," and, in some preliminary remarks referred to Col. Irvine's long connection with the Northwest, running back to the Transfer and the First Expedition, and spoke of the esteem in which he is universally held by all North-westerners, old and new, not only for his gentlemanly character, but for his happy mingling of generosity and firmness whilst dealing with many a trying circumstance in the latter day history of our country.

In speaking to the toast assigned to him by the committee Mr. Mair said that no Canadian heart could fail to respond with warmth to such a sentiment as this. He understood that this toast was not intended to be a local one; that it was, in a word, not butted nor bounded by our own horizon, but that it extended to all the Territories and to all the Provinces, old as well as new. He believed, too, that this sentiment was not confined to our present circumstances, but that it ran back to the roots of Canadian history—to a time when the foundations of our country were laid by the energy, devotion and courage of brave men and high-minded women. It is an interesting fact, he said, that these foundations were laid through national rivalries and racial antagonisms, and were cemented, not only by conquest, but by defeat. Had France, for example, been blessed in the middle of the last century by a patriotic and energetic king; had her destinies not been controlled by abandoned women, and her colonial empire not been traduced by sceptical philosophers, the peace of Paris would, in all likelihood, be a still unwritten treaty, and we, gentlemen, should not be here to-night. For it was the settlers of New France—the inhabitants of the suppositional "barren leagues of snow" who, almost alone, understood and advocated the true policy for France; and who, though unable to control it, though plundered, and, finally, abandoned in their extremity by their mother country, yet fought for her to the bitter end, and only yielded when resistance was no longer possible. This people is the primary constituent of our Canadian nationality, allied with us in the carrying down of British liberty upon this continent; and, thanks to the wisdom that lies in generosity and clemency, thanks to the winning power of justice and of institutions based upon it, we have in our French Canadian fellow subjects to day a people, he believed, as jealous for the preservation of that liberty as the descendants of the British people in Canada themselves. That clemency and generosity, as history tells us, gentlemen, was amply repaid by the loyalty of the French Canadians in the hour of trial. In the war of American Independence every effort was made to detach them from the British interest. They were alternately flattered and threatened by American emissaries; yet, though their mother country was actively co-operating with the American insurgents, they, in the mass, remained true to their new allegiance, and were the means of saving Canada to the British crown. Mr. Mair said he referred to these matters because it had become the fashion of certain annexation newspapers to rail at what they chose to call "French aggression." Complaint is made that the French Canadians are actually prolific and are multiplying; that their industrious habits are telling against our own people; and it is even alleged as a sinister fact that they look to France with pride as the cradle of their race. Now, gentlemen, if there is aggression let us meet it, not by whining and complaint, but in the proper spirit. Fertility and industry are not vices, they are virtues. Let us not only equal, but strive to surpass, our French Canadian compatriots in reproductiveness, in industry, and in that unity of sentiment which characterizes them, but which does not, as yet, distinctly characterize us. We shall then have nothing to fear from aggression—we shall be able easily to cope with it. Nor is the affection of the French Canadian for France objectionable. If that affection is a crime then it is a crime in him who now addresses you to think of

Scotland with love, because she is the land of his forefathers; it is a crime in some friends near him to love Ireland, or England, for a similar reason. No, gentlemen, it is an honor to the French Canadian that he reverences France—a country which, with all her faults and excesses, we of British descent cannot help but respect; a country which has wrung freedom from despotism many a time, and which has been, is now, and, he hoped, would ever continue to be, one of the most illustrious nations in the world. If, indeed, our French Canadian compatriots ceased to reverence their ancestral home, they would cease to be a community of men; they would be a community of devils. It is not to be regretted, then, that, through conquest, one of the great foundation stones of a Canadian nationality, imbued with British principles, was laid. Another, and an equally important one, was laid through defeat. The revolt of the thirteen colonies, though sufficient, time has not elapsed to completely justify it—the true verdict yet lying with the future—has still been largely extenuated by history. But we all know that though that revolt evoked a public spirit sufficiently strong for its purpose, there was yet, scattered throughout the rebellious colonies, a minor element of loyalty to Great Britain. Thousands of people of the most reputable classes bewailed a separation from the mother country, and, consequently, became objects of persecution, and were finally driven from their homes and possessions, or voluntarily left them. These people sought a refuge in the wilderness of the Maritime Provinces, and in the unbroken forests of Upper Canada. There, by their industry, they built up new homes for themselves; and it was by the courage and loyalty of the descendants of these men, as well as by the French Canadians, that, in the great crisis of our fortunes in 1812, our Canadian liberties were preserved. Since that crisis, by reproduction, extension and intermarriage that element has largely leavened the subsequent mass of immigration with a national sentiment, with affection for our country, and with an increasing pride in its historic past and political tradition. And it is that British tradition—that reverence for liberty, embedded in law and order, which has maintained the respect for life and property throughout the length and breadth of British America. He said British America advisedly; for, through the projection of this sentiment into the immense wilderness of the Northwest—though its governance over the conduct of its civilized natives, and their impact in turn, upon the savage, long before the transfer of the Territories to the Dominion—is due the fact that murder and theft were almost unknown, and that the solitary man or woman, as every old Northwesterner present knows, could travel then, and could still, from end to end of this vast land without the shadow of a fear. We are aware, as well, that this cannot be said of the American Territories in the past nor even now; and the reason, he believed, could be justly assigned to a wrong tradition. This reference, he said, brought him more closely home to "The Land We Live In." Without this great country old Canada would have had but a poor political perspective. With it, it is certain Canada will, in time, possess the strongest and most unassailable position upon the continent. He well remembered when he first came to the Northwest, many long years ago, the sense of disappointment which he felt at his surroundings. His duties confined him, at the first, to the wilderness of morass, scrubby timber and musketry lying west of the Lake of the Woods; and though the country had not then become a part of Canada, yet like other Canadians he had forecasted a great future in connection with it. This first outlook was unimpressive. It was not until he travelled westward that the scales fell from his eyes. There he saw for the first time, and as he then described it, the true, the virgin, the sublime prairie. There the awful solitude opened upon the sight, and swelled into an ocean, and the eye wandered over the silent spaces of the West. He felt that the man must be as corrupt as death, who, unaccustomed, could look unmoved upon that august material presence, that calm unutterable vastness. Man was a grasshopper there, a mere insect making way between the enormous discs of heaven and earth. It was there that he, as a Canadian, for the first time clearly recognized the significance and inevitable grandeur of his country's future. Far behind him were his native province and sister provinces; their unaltered freedom, their untried tread of man. Before him stretched through immeasurable distance the large and lovelier Canada—the path of empire and the garden of the world. He had come, he said, to the Northwest when Winnipeg was a hamlet, and when, irrespective of the native and Indian population, the Canadians in the country could almost be numbered on the fingers of one hand. They now can be numbered by the hundred thousand. But he believed there were many gentlemen before him who, in the ordinary course, would yet live to see this country inhabited, not by thousands only, but by millions of prosperous and contented people. He said contented, because by that time the question of our political future, which perplexes so many of us now, will have been resolved. You have all, he had no doubt, followed with interest the recent discussion in the Canadian press with regard to that political future—a discussion

which has resolved itself into three lines of argument, viz: annexation, imperial union and independent Canadian nationality. There are some who deprecate that discussion, some who think it unwise and even seditions, but he was not of that way of thinking. He believed that it was not only the right, but the bounden duty, of every Canadian to discuss the future of his country from every reasonable point of view, and the result of the discussion, he felt sure, will not disprove from a Canadian point of view, the soundness of this position. The first result of the agitation will probably be to relegate annexation to the limbo of absurdities. As one of the best men of the Northwest no one could be more desirous than Mr. Mair himself, that our trade relations with our American Cousins should be reciprocal, and as free as a right adjustment can make them. No one could have a greater admiration for their material progress. Indeed the enormous accumulation of wealth in individual hands, since their civil war, constitutes, if not a blessing, at all events one of the wonders of modern times. Then again every one of us is interested in them, not only through our commercial, but our kindred ties; for he supposed there were few gentlemen present who had not, like himself, some of relations, or connections, in the United States. Nor do those States lack the very highest order of cultivated men and women, and social circles informed by a rigorous and sincere morality. Yet when we consider what underlies all that is best in American life, when we consider what may fairly be described as the dominant life of the people; when we think of the frightful, yet growing, debasement of the marriage tie; of the destruction of offspring in embryo; of the inhuman treatment of the aboriginal race; of the prevalence of unpunished crime; of the general lawlessness; of the growing horde of ruffianism, for which all the world is ransacked, we may well relegate the question of annexation to the limbo of absurdities. American material progress is a great thing, but there are American national characteristics which are also great in their badness; and it is in plain language, the badness which afflicts us, and this as with decency when Canadians who would like to see a better off, advanced nation. This is our answer to the argument of self interest. What is our answer to the argument of fear? We are assured by some who have a righteous and humane dread of war that Canada would have no chance in a conflict with her gigantic neighbor. But it is a common saying that what man has done man can do. If, in the year of 1812, a Canadian population of 350,000 could successfully resist the aggression of a nation of eight millions, what may not be done when the odds are reduced to one-tenth? In that war Canada had justice on her side. The Americans felt it, and the sense of it paralyzed their efforts. Justice and in-mind go hand in hand, and are likely, in the long run, to prevail against numbers. If we are again attacked that principle will be still more conspicuously upon our side, for we shall still not be the aggressors; and this will serve men to their duty. Canada is at this moment a nation of athletes, of men devoted in body and mind, and he believed that these, backed by affection for our country and faith in her future, will be able to defend her. He had spoken so much upon these matters that our little time was left to refer to the other great points of controversy, viz: imperial union and independent Canadian nationality; yet it was impossible to pass them by. He felt that the scheme of imperial union was a very noble one; in fact it seems to constitute the first step towards the realization of the positive philosopher's dream. But is the scheme practicable? When we see in England men like Lord Salisbury on the one side, and Mr. Gladstone on the other; when we see in Canada men like Sir C. Tupper and Mr. Blake—all practical statesmen of the highest class—expressing their doubts as to the scheme, our feelings that the difficulties in the way are grave indeed. Yet he believed a union of English speaking races to be inevitable, not through the federation of dependencies, but through a union of independent nationalities, the growth of time, and into which even our American cousins may enter when purged of their disagreeable characteristics. Meanwhile let us feel that in any event we have a country of our own; one which is worthy of our love, and to which we owe our first duty. Let each of us, in his own way, contribute to its fate or material progress, and to the extension of that Canadian sentiment which is already spreading from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and which will yet be carried northward to the Arctic coast. Canadians are at last conscious of a high destiny for their country. The men of the Northwest are perhaps more conscious of it than their brothers in the east, who have not yet got rid of their narrow provincialism. Life in the Northwest has a larger faith and more liberal hand, for example, in this very region—a feeling due in part to its position. This brings me home to the very spot we live in. We feel that we are moving about in a wilderness which is yet to be the theatre of mighty interests. We are in the heart of one of the greatest what regions on the continent. We are within twenty hours' run, by rail, to Churchill. We lie directly across the shortest path from ocean to ocean; and, over this route, nay through this very town, may yet pass, in the not remote future, the largest portion of the commerce of the world. We feel proud of our region. We have unbounded faith in its future province; and this pride and this faith lead naturally to the higher ground—to the prayer which continually wells from the heart to the lips of every true Canadian. God bless our Common Country!



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